

## **INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PROCESS REQUESTS FOR CATASTROPHIC DESIGNATION**

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### **AND**

#### **If filing is based on O.C.G.A. § 34-9-200.1(g)(1)-(5) ( Specific Medical Diagnoses)**

- Current medical diagnoses
- Current (within the past year) medical records from the employee's authorized treating physician(s).
- Hospitalization admission and discharge summaries, if available
- For head injuries, a copy of neuropsychological evaluation, if one has been completed
- For multiple digit amputations, diagrams showing sites of amputations
- For burn injuries, percentage of body burned and what type of burns (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> ); whether or not five per cent or more of face or hands incurred 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns
- For industrial blindness, documentation of employee's current vision

#### **If filing is based on O.C.G.A. §34-9-200.1 (g) (6) ( Employee is receiving SSDI and/or is unable to work due to injury):**

If the employee IS receiving Social Security disability (SSDI) benefits or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits:

- A Copy of the Social Security Administration's findings and award of Social Security Disability (SSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits

### **OR**

- If a judicial decision or rationale was not issued, documentation from the Social Security Administration listing the diagnoses based on which the employee was found to be disabled, as well as notification that he was approved for SSDI or SSI

### **OR**

- If Such documentation is unavailable, an affidavit detailing the disability (ies) on which the Social Security award was based, and information about whether or not each of the disabling conditions was related to the employee's work injury

### **AND ALSO**

- The employee's current med diagnoses (may be included in SSA award)
- Work history for the past 15 years, including physical requirements of each job (may be included in SSA award)
- Education level (may be included in SSA award)
- Current (within the past year and preferably the last six months) opinion from the employee's authorized treating physician(s) regarding whether or not the employee is released to work and if so, with what restrictions (may be included in SSA award)
- Information regarding whether or not the Workers' Compensation injury and its residual were the sole factor or a contributing factor to the disability used as the basis for the Social Security Administration's award of benefits

If the employee **IS NOT** receiving Social Security disability benefits:

- The employee's current medical diagnoses
- Work history for the past 15 years, including physical requirement of each job
- Education level
- Current (within the past year and preferably six months) opinion from the employee's authorized treating physician(s) regarding whether or not the employee is released to return to work and if so, with what restrictions
- Relevant medical records